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Hon. Robert P. Patterson
United States District Judge
United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
New York, N.Y. 110007

Re: United States v. Maurice McDowall
Magistrate Docket No. CR-07-1054(RPP)

Dear Judge Patterson:

This letter is submitted to advise the Court that the law firm of LaRusso and Conway LLP., has been retained by Mr. McDowall as counsel in connection with the above-captioned case. Please accept this letter as our notice of appearance in this matter.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Conway, Esq.

cc: AUSA Katherine Rachel Goldstein